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### The Steel Trust Report.

Dispassionate in its tone and appar thy based upon a thorough examina-Corporations upon the steel trust is an statute books. nteresting and notable contribution to official literature.

Briefly stated, the report shows that from 1808 to 1900 the steel concerns irsued a policy of cut-throat compe-Trade conditions became demoralized. It became a question of combination or destruction. Naturally, the former was accomplished. All the lead-United States Steel Corporation, with A very large part of the report is devoted to proving that this capitalization According to the investigations of the bureau, the value of its purpose. The mobilization not only the plants, mines, and railroads was demonstrated the efficiency of the Genonly \$700,000,000. Even this assertion is eral Staff, but the presence of the troops not convincing, because the steel trust e alone worth \$700,000,000, while the ureau's valuation is just one-seventh of

In the ten years that have elapsed since the trust was formed, its holdings have materially increased in value. The trust claims that they are now worth \$200,000,000 more than the entire capitalization, and the bureau admits that they should be appraised at over one his action has been amply, demonstrated. billion dollars. It is apparent, therefore, that much of the original inflation has disappeared. The average profit of the trust has been 12 per cent.

There are three points in the report worthy of emphasis. The first is that the enormous sum of \$62,500,000 was realized by the promoters of the combine as their compensation. They literally put millions of dollars into their large risks, for if the trust proved a failure their losses would have amounted to millions. In the second place, authorities. the trust has not been able to stifle all "The evidence, on the competition. whole," says the report, "indicates that could be duplicated here? spetition in the industry has steadily been increasing." The trust's proportion of the business in nearly every important product except pig iron and steel rails is less than it was in 1901. It makes only 54 per cent of the total output of steel ingots and castings, and, finally, it is important to note that if

trust is that it was to overcapitalized and that millions of the "watered" stock went into the pockets of the promoters. The first statement, although denied by the trust officials, is probably true, while the second asseron is unquestionably a fact. It will be said, of course, that the trust should not have overcapitalized, and its promoters should not have made a fortune for themselves. It merely duplicated, however, the history of nearly every corporation in the country, the only difference being that it dealth in millions where other corporations were out of his face."

"What happened to Hiram?"

"Somebody atole his faine teeth right out of his face." confined to thousands. With other questions of vital public concern the report does not deal at all. It does not dis- pigtalls. cuss the question whether the trust has absolutely controlled prices or whether the public has been made to suffer as result of the combination. Above all, there is not the alightest inkling that the steel trust has been guilty of the reprehensible methods pursued by the Standard Oil Company in securing

deal with iniquities not yet revealed.

### Two Kinds of Aviation.

The aviator who, with a passenger, terday flew from Boston to New ondon in order to view the Harvard-Yale boat rare had a definite object in He proposed to use his muchine for a legitimate purpose, demonstrating is the same spirit another aviator the other day flew from the clubhome at Vessat, Long Island, to New York Bay, epting the Olympic on its way to England and attempting to drop a package open the steamer's deck. The fact but he failed in the effort fid sor decast from the par these add to the in | A con On the other hand, I st in asiation

at Niagara Falls and under the sus on bridge, means nothing. It is on plane with the exploit of Leach, wi went through the rapids in a steel bar rel. Even after he had accomplished

man knowledge or human progress. Until the science of aviation is per fect, men will lose their lives, even, in the employment of aeroplanes for sensithe condemnation which is very properly visited upon the foolish and unneces sary exploits of the Beachey kind.

#### The Public Utilities Bill.

The effort to commit the Board of tion.

The effort to commit the Board of Trade to formal opposition to the proposed public utilities law for the District of Columbia has not yet been successful.

It is not necessary to discuss here the methods by which the organization was sought to be placed in an antagonistic position, nor to explain why there is anxiety to prevent the desired legislation. Suffice it to say that there is an old tradition about King Canute seekold tradition about King Canute seek- conceded that practically the sa

on, the report of the Commissioner of lating public utilities will be upon the

### The Troops in Texas.

that the troops be brought back from Texas. The heat in the far Southwest is proving a serious hardship to unacclimated men and animals, recruits are difficult to obtain, and the resorts of ing plants were amalgamated into the bad character in the neighborhood of San Antonio and Fort Sam Houston an aggregate capital of \$1.400,000,000 are increasing. These are, in themselves, sufficient reasons for the proposed action.

The army on the frontier has served undoubtedly had an excellent effect fficials claim that their ore deposits upon the Mexican situation. Appar ently, however, the conditions in Mexico have reached a point where the new government can maintain itself, and District Cor there is little danger of injury to American lives or property.

The President may now safely order the return of the army, satisfied with the demonstration which has been made and fully assured that the wisdom of

### Smoking Automobiles.

were fined in New York last Thursday for running motor cars which emitted clouds of smoke.

The campaign against the nuisance is now being waged in New York with such vigor that it will not be long bepockets. At the same time, they took fore a smoking automobile will be a thing unknown. The city is to be the District. felicitated upon the energy of its

Wouldn't it be a good thing if the work in New York along that line

### A LITTLE NONSENSE.

IN LONDON. "Mrs. Wombat is highly thought of by "Is she as dull as all that?"

Responsibilities. the steel trust is a monopoly it is chiefly through its control of ore holdings and the transportation of ore.

The gravamen of the case against the

No Matter Upon & Western tale I'll try
My scribbling bent.
I've never seen the West; but why
Need that prevent?

beauty surgeon claims he can move wrinkles. "Going to give him a trial?"
"I shall, provided he makes a tration on my pet buildog first.

"I told Hiram not to go gaping around at the high buildings."

"I see the Chinese are cutting of their

"They are 2.000 years behind the time "No; only about a hundred. We we pignalls ourselves up to that time."

When College Wils.
The man in the street,
By the by,
Has a job looking nest
In July,

The Usual Tumble.

"I dreamed last night that I had perfected an airship."

"And when you awoke?"

"Darned if I wasn't out on the noor."

"Tee; I was once engaged to a duke."
"And was once engaged to a duke."
"And was crues obstacle came between two loving hearts?"
"Oh, nothing in particular. We just let the option engine."

"Keep Tone Enr on Fuss,"
Fam the New York Sun.
In this ferocious compatition betwee
Democratic statesmen, his excellency, th
Hon. Eugene Noble Fors, of Massachi

### STEPHENSON PROBE TO FOLLOW LORINER

pected in Senate.

ble purposes. Such use of the air ms-chine is, however, less likely to result rounding the election of Senator Stein fatality, and certainly will not arouse phenson, of Wisconsin, in 1809, will follow the conclusion of the Lorimer probe is the general opinion in the Senate as a result of the action of the Wisconsin Legislature in laying before the Senate certified records of a State legislative investigation of Mr. Stephenson's elec-

ing to stay the rising of the tide. The occan swept on, just the same.

And the time will come, even in the mittee on Privages and Elections and District of Columbia, when a law regu-lating public utilities will be upon the statute books.

an exhaustive probe into the matter. This, it is believed, Senator La Follette and his following of progressive Republi-cans, together with a certain faction of the Democratic minority, will be able to bring about.

Public sentiment will approve the recommendation of Gen. Leonard Wood morial in the near future. Possibly the matter will be taken up in a perfunway the latter part of next week. It is believed that real action will be post-

## **BOARD APPROVES** INSURANCE BILL

Would Correct Long-standing Evil Here.

in the insurance laws of the District of Columbia was given yesterday by the

All of the messures are now before the House District Committee. The first provides for the regulation and control of fraternal benefit societies. The sec ond refers entirely to insurance com-panies licensed under the District code. It provides for their efficient regulation by the local superintendent of insurance, orge W. Ingham; for their taxation the regulation of their capitalization, and their reserve funds. This law has long Smoking Automobiles.

Twenty-seven automobile drivers the present session have the prospects of obtaining its passage been bright.

It is estimated the law will put a large proportion of the "small fry" companies out of business, since they are proceeding on an extremely low capital, and have paratively small reserve funds. The third measure, House bill No. 2012, vides that all policies covering Dis ns and property must be signed in

Earthquake Tremor Felt. Messina, June 30.—There was a sharp earthquake shock felt here this morning, but there was no damage because of the disturbance.

## MILITARY AVIATORS LOCAL LEGISLATION ANNUAL NAVAL "PLUCKING" MAKE FINE FLIGHT

at College Park.

After Circling Over Hyattaville and Maryland Agricultural College, Signal Corps Men Propose to Aeroplane to Washington Next Week-Flotilia Being Assembled.

Circling over Hyattsville, streaking over the Maryland Agricultural College at an altitude of 1,200 feet, two army birdmen performed aeronautic feats yesterday which broke all records in the annals of military aviation in the United States, Lieut, Milling, with Lieut, Arnold as

passenger, made a brilliant cross-country flight from College Park which set even the seasoned flying experts on the field ageg. So elated were the officers over their success that they propose to seroplane to Washington and Fort Myer next week. Nonstop trips are the only kind under consideration.

The officers declare they have now demonstrated that cross-country flights In the vicinity of College Park are en-tirely practicable, provided an altitude of from 1,200 to 1500 feet is maintained. All the Signal Corps officers are enthusiastic over the outlook.

Training for Officers. are completed, a large number of officer will be trained in the mysteries of avia The present quartet of flyers Lieuts, Arnold, Milling, Kirtland, and Peck, will act as tutors to other officers when they have mastered the machines, and the relays of candidates will come

in quick succession. Scores of officers are anxious to take It is a curious fact that of the first Signal Corps officers who participated in the Wright experiments of two years ago, all but one have retired from the game. Lieut. Frank Lahm has left the Signal Corps, Maj. George O. Squier is Signal Corps, Maj. George O. Squier is on other duty at present, and Brig. Gen. Allen, chief of the Signal Corps, and one of the chief promoters of military aviation, is engrosed in other matters. Lieut. Benjamin D. Foulols is still conducting experiments with the original Wright machine in Texas, however.

Others Are Experimenting. But the flying at College Park is not confined to army officers. There are a number of local aeroplanists "experi-menting" on the familiar stamping ground, including Rexford Smith, Antony Jannus, and Edmund K. Fox. All have machines of their own creation. The Smith-Jannus machine is well known to the local public, and needs no further discussion at this time. The Fox machine. also designed and built by local me chanics, is an unknown quantity. Unless Mr. Fox's aviator, C. A. Derian, proves the hiplane can fly before the end of this week all experiments with it will be abandoned, according to Mr. Fox's ent last night.
but not least, College Park is

noted as the scene of the experiments of Dr. W. W. Christmas with his "cantilever" machine, which solved the prob lem of automatic balances by placing the center of gravity below the lower plane. His machine is in the hangars of the National Aviation Company.

Pope Awards High Post, Rome, June 30 .- Rev. Father Gunn, of Atlanta, Ga., has been appointed Bishop of Natcher.

## PROBABLY ENDED

Laws in Congress.

That an investigation by a committee PLAN TRIP TO FORT MYER. The first bill to receive executive ap-

investigation cannot possibly affect, and with many members of the Senate District Committee out of town or attend-ing the sessions of the Lorimer investi-gating committee, it is considered very unlikely that any further District legislation will result from the present ses-

# ADVICE OF COUNSEL

Failed to Refute Testimony of Funk.

The cross-examination of Edward Hines of Chicago, president of the Edward Hines Lumber Company, was completed yesterday before the Senate committee which is investigating charges of corruption in connection with the election of Senator Lorimer. Mr. Hines was charged by Clarence S. Funk, general manager of the International Harvester Company who testified several days ago, with having requested a \$10,000 contrib tion from the harvester company to aid in paying the expenses of the Lorime election.

For six hours Mr. Hines was quizze

by members of the committee; by John H. Marble, counsel for the committee, and by his own corporation counsel, William J. Haynes, of Chicago, without changing his direct testimony given Wednesday. Mr. Hines reiterated his part in the

Illinois senatorial fight in which he persuaded Mr. Lorimer to become a candi-date for the senatorship, and aided in his election. He told how he had a conference with Nelson W. Aldrich, former Senator from Rhode Island, who in formed him that President Taft wanted Mr. Lorimer elected to the Senate from Illinois, and how he passed the word along to Gov. Dencen, of Illinois, President Taft and Senator Aldrich favored Mr. Lorimer's election Only a "Message Bearer."

Mr. Hines denied that he was entitled to all the credit for electing Senato Lorimer. He said he acted merely as a "message bearer." The most important discrepancy in Mr. Hines' cross-examinstion yesterday related to the time when he first read Mr. Funk's testimony before the Helm committee of legislature during its investiga mittee of the Illinot Lorimer election several months ago. Mr. Hines said that he was shocked by Mr. Funk's charge that he had requested s from the harvester pany, and had said that a fund of \$100, 0 was being raised to pay the expens of the Lorimer election.

Tests made by the United States many indicate that an artator would be an easy mark for any fair rifle shot within a range of 1,000 yards.

THE BIG STICK'S

SAFE AND SANE

MANY NOVEL EVENTS

An All-day Oration and Other

Features.

PROGRAMME IN DETAIL

Midnight, July 3-A number sum will be sent off from wark alouse and cafes.

6 a, m.—Several thousand alarm clocks will be discharged alami-taneously throughout the city.

T a, m .- Another salute by alarm

S a. m.-Former Commissioner H. B. F. Macfarland will begin an oration.

stion.

5 a. m. Parado of unemployed.
headed by Dr. William Tindall.

FOURTH OF JULY

ONE CENT.

# WILL TAKE PLACE TO-DAY

### the feat he did not add an iota to Investigation of Charges Ex- Officers Elated Over Success Little Change for District Fourteen Officers Will Be Retired by the Compulsory Retirement Board of Rear Admirals.

The first bill to receive executive approval as a result of the extra session of the "plucking" board of rear adolina passed both houses—providing for the widening of Colorado avenue northwest from Longfellow street to His teenth street, was signed by President Taft before leaving for Heverly yesterday.

With the Home District Committee, which has had but one meeting this essesion and reported out but one meeting this essesion and reported out but one meeting this essesion and reported out but one hill. The

The entire navy is on the annual | With these voluntary retirements, the

with the Home District Committee, which has had but one meeting this session and reported out but one bill—the one President Taft signed yesterday—tied up with an investigation of the District and showing great unwillingness to consider even matters that the pending meeting the consider even matters that the pending meeting the pending meeting the pending meeting meeting meeting the board at the Navy Department. The board is composed of Rear Admiral Richard Wainwright, president; Rear Admiral Fuelous trict and showing great unwillingness to consider even matters that the pending meeting memory retirements to be made by the board is composed of Rear Admiral Richard Wainwright, president; Rear Admiral Samuel P. Comly. Rear Admiral Samuel P. Comly. Rear Admiral Thomas B. Howard. They will be required to while the law permits of captains and While the law permits of captains and commanders obtaining voluntary retirement under this law, all the applications yesterday, peculiarly enough, came from officers in the higher grade. They time since 1996 for a first lieutenant to are Captis. Burns T Walling, of Ohio. from officers in the higher grade. They are Capts. Burns T. Walling. of Ohio:
James G. Gillmore, of Pennsylvanis; all the deadwood has been "plucked". Thomas D. Griffin, of Virginis; John M. Orchard, of Missouri; Ben W. Hodges, of been in force, it is recognized that sev-Mississippi, and Edward Lloyd, of Mary-eral good officers stand a chance of being land.

## EXCUSE HINES GIVES LONGER HOURS ORDERED FOR RECIPROCITY DEBATE

Another effort to speed the consider-| Wednesday, July 5, was yesterday agreed ation of the Canadian reciprocity bill upon by the senate. A number of mem-was made by the Senate leaders yester-bers will take advantage of the three day when the chairman of the Finance days' holiday to get away from the Capi Committee, who is in charge of the measure, gave notice of an intention to resumed the middle of next week.

Chairman Penrose, of the Finance to beginning July 6.

or clock in the morning to 6 o'clock in proposal at to-day's session, except on the afternoon, and if it is found that the business of the Senate is not materially expedited thereby night sessions will be held to enable opponents sibly the continuation of routine debate of the measure to present their arguments. nents more fully. An adjournment from Saturday until day until next Wednesday

The Senate will hereafter alt from II that no vote be taken on any measure or Senate will stand adjourned from yester-

### PROCLAMATION BY KING.

London June 30 .- King George to-day issued this proclamation To My People:

"Now that the coronation and the attendant ceremonies are over, I desire to assure the people of the British empire of my grateful sense that their hearts have been with me through it all. I felt this in the beautiful and impres-sive service at the abley, which was the most solemn experience of my life, and scarcely less in the stirring scenes of the suc-ceeding days when my people signified their recognition and their heartfelt welcome to me as

their sovereign.
"This has been apparent not only in the loyal enthusiasm shown in the course of our passage to and from Westminster Abbey and in the progresses we have made in the different districts of London, but also in the thousands of messages of good will which have come to me across the seas from every part of the empire. Such affectionate demonstrations have touched me profoundly, and filled me afresh with faith and confi-

"Believing that this generous and outspoken sympathy with the Queen and myself, is, under God our surest source of strength, l encouraged to go forward

with renewed hope.
"Whatever perplexities and dif-ficulties may lie before me and my people, we shall units reso-lutely and calmly, with public spirit, confident that under Di-vine guidance the ultimate out-come will be to the common good." (Signed) GEORGE R. L.

### CONFIRMED BY THE SENATE.

of, Claxton, of Tennessee, to Be Commissioner of Education. The nomination of Philander P. Claxton, of Tennessee, to be Commissioner of Education, to succeed Dr. Elmer E. Brown, was confirmed by the Senate

vesterday. Other nominations confirmed

vere: Nicolay A. Greustad, of Illinois, to be Minister to Paraguay and Uruguay, to succeed Edward V. Morgan, who is appointed Minister to Portugal.

Officials in the Interstate Commerce G. Dallas Hanns, of Kansas, to be deputy warden, division of Alaskan

The following naval officers were conmander Marbury Johnson to be a Com

Henry St. G. Tucker Better, Henry St. George Tucker, one of the most prominent Democrats connected with Virginia politics, is slowly recover-ing in this city from a recent operation upon his eyes. Mr. Tucker has been forced to undergo several operations recently for the benefit of his eyesight. He is now at the Episcopal Eye, Eur and Throat Hospital bere, and is said to be on the road to recovery following the most recent operation.

Funeral of W. A. Haley. Funeral services for William A. Haley, nunsician, who died Thursday, will be held at 2 o'clock this attenuous from the residence, 1507 T street northwest. The residence, 160 T street northwest. The Scottish Rite Masons will have charge of the caremonies, and a delegation from Local 161. American Federation of Musicians, of which Mr. Haloy was a member, will attend. The following members of the federation have been selected as pallbearers: Henry F. Smith, A. Pouth, J. N. Pistorio, J. G. Finzier, C. O. Mills, John Maccker, and C. B. Schoffield.

Anarchists Are Followed.

Paris June 26.—Orders were given today to round up snarchists as a result
of the discovery that an attempt to
wreck the Havre express last night was
due to an anarchistic plot. The raircond
gracks had been tampered with and all
the cars ditchod, theigh none was hurt.

## HAMMOND FAMILY SNUBBED BY REID

Special Ambassador's Rank Not Recognized at Ball.

London, June 30 .- The Duke of Connaught's attention to the John Hays Hammond family must be a bitter pill

for the Whitelaw Reids to swallow At the great dinner dance given by Ambassador and Mrs. Reld in honor of the Connaught family, neither Mr. or Mrs. Hammond were at the table of the host or hostess. As Mr. Hammond's rank of special ambassador is second only to the Reids, this violation of precedence caused much comment.

This happened at a dinner where the places were assigned. After the dinner the Duke of Connaught approached Mr. Hammond and chaffed him about it. Before the dancing started, the duke invited Mrs. Hammond to supper, thereby showing the guests that in his opinthe Hammonds ranked second in the brilliant assembly.

## VIOLATE FLAG LAW.

Sale of Collier's Weekly Halted by Boston Police.

Boaton, June 38.—The sale of the current issue of Collier's Weekly was stopped in Boston to-day by order of the police because it had advertising on a representation of the American flag in colors on the first page in violation of the laws of the State. The matter was brought to the atten-

ion of Superintendent of Police Pierce by the Society for the Protection of the American Flag. Supt. Pierce sent word to all captains asking them to instruct all newsdealers that if they sold this week's issue of Collier's that they be liable to prosecution.

The captains throughout the city re-ported back to police headquarters that all newsdealers said that they would not offer Collier's for sale.

### EXPRESS CHARGES LOWER.

Commission were taken by surprise yesterday afternoon when bulky packages were delivered from all the express com-panies in the United States, except the Long Island Company. The new rates Commander Maroury

sprain from June 14.

Lieut. (junior grade) James 8. Woods

a hasty checking showed that the tariffs call for large reductions in express rates, were dumped in on the commission only

#### CURIOUS BITS OF HISTORY By A. W. MACY.

"QUEEN DICK."

Oliver Cromwell was a strong character, but the same cannot be

said of his son Richard. Oliver tried to train his son to be a worthy successor as Protector, but the attempt was a failure. Richard was easy-going and amiable, and more addicted to sports than to statecraft. He was the acknowledged Lord Pro-tector from September 2, 1658, to May 25, 1659, but cut little figure as such. He did not relish official as such. He did not ratiss omean duttes, and much preferred having a good time. The Cavallers called him "Queen Diok." and others, still less respectfully, spoke of him as "Tumble-down Dick." He was glad to quit when Parliament told him to get out, after his abdication, however, he After his abdication, however, he conducted himself with credit and even with dignity. He lived in quiet retirement for fifty-three years, and died July 18, 1713, at the ripe old age of ninety. ((depright, BH, by Jaseph R, Brates.)

Stick, it isn's sale

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EVERY SATURDAY.

HINTS FOR AN UNSAFE

Our Motto: Hyou see it in The Big

AND INSANE FOURTH

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TOM GREEN.

PHILOSOPHY

FOURTH OF JULY

It's a wise shift that puts

There is us feel file the file's

BOOSTING HIS GAME.

## THE BIG STICK

WASHINGTON JULY 1, 1911.

A FOURTH OF JULY DISPLAY.



WILLIE'S GLORIOUS FOURTH

1 p. m.—Mr. Machariand will step for hands.

4.13 p. m.—Mr. Machariand will resume his address.

3 p. m.—Panels of Grand Order of S. P. O. C. K. s. headed by thought inspectes John Kirby.

3 p. m.—Panels of F street parel, headed by this Marshad Harris Brown. Music by George O'Downell's famous hat bond.

4 p. m.—Mr. Machariand will drink a giass of sature hotswest smitteness.

5 p. m.—Enthiblism of its cream soda drinking by mathree girls Judges, Ollis Matsarott and Frest Beeper.

4 p. m.—Ditumer will be served at

Otr Hall.

130 p. m. Machrisod will